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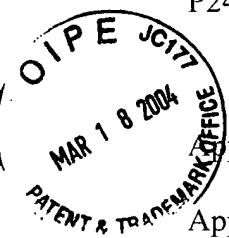
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 25, 2004, Applicants hereby call the following information from <http://www.cisco.com>, relating to RFC2401 and Cisco's Router, which were cited on page 1 of the specification in the above-identified patent application, to the Examiner's attention:

Cisco PIX Firewall Software - Configuring IPSec (Table of Contents, 2 pages), downloaded March 17, 2004;

Cisco IOS Software Releases 12.1 Mainline - Configuring IPSec Network Security (Table of Contents, 2 pages), downloaded March 17, 2004;

Cisco IOS Software Releases 12.2 Mainline - Configuring IPSec Network Security (Table of Contents, 2 pages), downloaded March 17, 2004;

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Data Sheet - Cisco Unified VPN Suite (4 pages), downloaded March 17, 2004;

Cisco Secure Policy Manager - Introduction to IPSec (Table of Contents, 1 page), downloaded March 17, 2004;

Cisco Secure Policy Manager - IPSec Tunnels (Table of Contents, 2 pages), downloaded March 17, 2004; and

Cisco IOS Software Releases 12.3 Mainline - Start Here: Cisco IOS Software Release Specifics for IPv6 Features (Table of Contents, 1 page), downloaded March 17, 2004.

Applicants note that the above cited documents were obtained through a word search for "RFC2401" on <http://www.cisco.com>, the results of which are shown in "Results for 'RFC2401' within 'Search All Cisco.com'" (2 pages), downloaded March 17, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto. Due to the voluminous content of the documents, Applicants have attached only copies of the respective tables of contents, except for "Data Sheet - Cisco Unified VPN Suite," which is provided in its entirety. The Examiner is invited to review the documents in their entirety on the Cisco web site, as deemed necessary. Further, if the Examiner desires hard copies of additional sections or pages of any of the above cited documents, Applicants will provide them upon request.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above materials. The documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form, which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

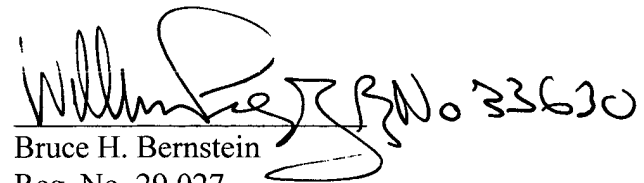
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issued. Accordingly, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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